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SHEET-FEEDING MACHINE FOR PRINTING-PRESSES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JACOB C. DANZIGER and SAMUEL DANZIGER, both of Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton, State of Ohio, 5 have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sheet-Feeding Machines for Printing-Presses, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a new and im-10 proved device for feeding paper to printingpresses, especially color-printing presses, such

as are used for printing labels, &c.

The object of our invention is to provide a feeding device that can be attached to and operated from the printing-machine, and which feeds the sheets accurately and truly to the printing-machine in the most perfect manner.

The invention also consists in the construction and combination of parts and details, as will be fully described and set forth hereinafter, and finally pointed out in the claims.

shifted laterally. Fig. 22 is a detail cross-sectional view of the sheet-shifter for shifting the sheet beyond the edge of the platform to permit the grippers of the press to grip it.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a longitudinal vertical sectional view of our 25 improved paper-feeding machine for printing-presses, showing the parts in the position they have at the moment when a sheet is being picked up, parts being broken out and others omitted. Fig. 2 is a side view of a cog-30 wheel mounted loosely on its shaft and engaged therewith by a ratchet and pawl, the shaft being in section. Fig. 3 is a vertical transverse section of the wheelshown in Fig. 2. Figs. 4 and 5 are detail side views of the 35 hinged arms carrying the sheet-lifters, said arms having different positions. Fig. 6 is an end view of the bar carrying the arm and edge view of said arm. Fig. 7 is a side elevation of the machine, showing the position of 40 the parts when the sheet has been carried forward, parts being broken out. Figs. 8 and 9 are detail side elevations of the sheet-retainer in different positions. Fig. 9a is a detail horizontal sectional view of part of the standard 45 of the carriage. Fig. 10 is an elevation of that side of the machine opposite the one shown in Fig. 7, the parts being on the returnstroke, and parts being broken out. Fig. 11 is a side and end view of the device for swing-50 ing down the arms carrying the sheet-lifters. Fig. 12 is a vertical sectional view of the

wiper for shifting the sheets. Fig. 13 is a side view of the same, the shaft being in section. Fig. 14 is a cross-sectional view of the guides and face view of the slide carrying 55 the shaft on which the wipers are mounted and an edge view of the cog-wheel on said. shaft. Fig. 15 is a plan view of the machine, parts being broken out. Fig. 16 is a vertical transverse section of the machine on the line 60 xx, Fig. 15. Fig. 17 is an enlarged detail vertical longitudinal sectional view of the elevating device for the sheet-lifter. Fig. 18 is a plan view of the racks, cams, and shiftingbars for moving the sheets laterally. Fig. 19 65 is a vertical transverse sectional view on the line y y, Fig. 18. Figs. 20 and 21 are enlarged detail cross-sectional views of the cams and devices for holding the sheet after it has been shifted laterally. Fig. 22 is a detail cross- 7° the sheet beyond the edge of the platform to permit the grippers of the press to grip it. The inclined blocks are also shown. Fig. 23 is a side view of the paper-shifter, the guide 75 being in cross-section.

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sponding parts.

The stack A of sheets a is placed on the bed or platform A', on which the adjustable gages 80 a^2 are provided in guide-grooves a^3 . The platform B, upon which the sheet is placed after it has been removed from the stack, and on which platform the sheet is shifted forward and laterally to bring it in the proper position, is slightly elevated above the platform A'.

Two horizontal rails, C, provided with guidegrooves on their inner side, are suitably supported by angular standards B', horizontally 90 over the top of the platforms A' and B, and between the said rails a cross-head, C², is mounted to slide. Said cross-head supports the upright inverted-U-shaped standard C³, provided on the inside with vertical opposite 95 guide-grooves C⁴, in which the jaws C⁵ can slide vertically, said jaws being secured to or formed on the outer side of a tube, C⁶, mounted to slide vertically in the standard C³, and pressed downward by a spiral spring, C³, surrounding it, and resting at its upper end against an internal shoulder, C¹⁵, of the stand-

ard C³ and at its lower end against the jaws C⁵. A rod, C⁸, passes vertically through the tube C⁶, and is provided above the top of said tube with a head, C9. A spiral spring, C10, 5 surrounds the rod C8, the upper end of said spring resting against an internal shoulder, C¹⁵, of the tube C⁶, and the lower end resting on an eye or sleeve, C11, on the lower end of said rod C⁸. In the said eye C¹¹ a cross-bar, 10 C¹², is held, to the downwardly-projecting ends of which the cross-bar C¹³ is fastened. On said cross-bar C¹³ two sleeves, C¹⁴, are mounted in such a manner that they can be shifted toward or from each other, and when shifted 15 can be locked in place by means of suitable thumb-screws. From each of said sleeves a bar, D, projects toward the front end of the machine—that is, in a horizontal direction toward the printing-press—and on the free end 20 of each of said bars D a downwardly-projecting arm, D', Figs. 4, 5, and 6, is pivoted, each arm D'having a bevel, D2, at its upper rear corner. A spring-strip, D³, is fastened to the top of each bar D at the free end, and rests on the up-25 per end of the corresponding pivoted arm, D'. To the lower end of each arm D'a dovetailed receptacle, D4, is secured, open at the bottom and adapted to receive a block, D5, coated on the under side with a composition something 30 like that of which inking-rolls for printingpresses are made or with said inking-roller composition.

On the lower end of the tube C6 a cross-rod, E, is fixed, connected at its end by connect-35 ing-rods E' with the ends of levers E2, pivoted on angle-lugs E³ on the standard C³, the opposite ends of said levers E² being connected by connecting-rods ${\bf E}^4$ with the ends of bell-crank levers E^5 , pivoted to jaws E^{10} of the cross-40 head C². A latch, E⁶, is pivoted on the standard C³ and can engage an aperture or recess, E⁷, of one of the jaws C⁵ of the tube C⁶, the spring E⁸ acting on said latch and pressing it inward, Fig. 9a. A bent or angular standard, 45 E⁹, on one of the guide-rails C serves to trip said latch E⁶. (See Fig. 7.) A rod, F, projecting horizontally from the rear of the crosshead C², is firmly secured therein, and is provided at its free end with a head, F', and a 50 short distance from the cross-head with a fixed collar, F². Said bar F passes loosely through an aperture in the center piece, F3, of a transverse beam, F4, extending beyond the sides of the machine-frame and connected at 55 its ends by the connecting-rods F5, parts of which are only shown in dotted lines with the working mechanism of the printing-press. The center piece, F³, of the beam is provided

extending into the grooves of the rails C. On one side of the machine-frame a slide, G, is provided, having longitudinal slots G', 65 through which pins G² pass, projecting from the standards G³, secured to the side edges of the platform B, said slide being connected

with two upwardly-curved arms, F6, which

E⁵. The center piece, F³, has side arms, F⁸,

60 can act on the shorter arms of the angle-levers

by the connecting-rod G4 with the crank G5 on the shaft G⁶, carrying the cog-wheel G⁷, that can engage with the rack G⁸, formed on 70 the under side of part of the square frame G⁹, connected with the center piece, F³, of the beam F⁴, as shown in Fig. 15. The cog-wheel G⁷ is so mounted on the shaft G⁶ that it turns the said shaft in one direction only.

On the bottom edge of the slide G a rack, G¹⁰, is formed, that engages with a cog-wheel, G¹¹, Figs. 7 and 14, said wheel being mounted on a transverse shaft, G12, journaled in suitable slides, G¹⁴, mounted to slide between 80 guide-bars G¹⁵, held by the standards G³. On said shaft G¹² two sleeves, H, are held adjustably by set-screws, and each sleeve is provided with a neck, from the lower end of which a square rod, H', projects, that is pressed 85 downward and outward by a spring, H2, in the neck. To the lower end of said rod H' a piece, H³, is hinged, as shown in Fig. 13, a spring, H4, being provided for keeping the rod H' and the piece H³ in line. The lower 90 end of said piece H³ is pointed or tapered and shod with rubber to form a wiper for shifting

the paper. On the standards G³, on one side of the machine, Fig. 7, two levers, I and I', are pivoted, 95 their lower ends being connected by a rod, I². Pins I³ and I⁴ on the slide G serve to act on the upper ends of the rods I and I', respectively. The lower end of the lever I is connected by the connecting-rod I5 with a crank, 100 J', projecting from a rocking-shaft, J, mounted on the standards J² of the platform B. The upper part of said shaft is made hexagonal, as at J³, and on said hexagonal part J³ the flat end of a spring, J⁴, rests, that is fastened 105 to the arms J⁵ on the standard J². On the shaft J two adjustable sleeves, J¹⁰, are mounted, on each of which two transverse arms, J6, are secured, each having each end bent, as at J7. Each sleeve J¹⁰ carries an arm, J⁸, which, when 110 the arms J⁶ are inclined, as shown in Fig. 9, projects in horizontal direction toward the center of the machine. Said arms J⁸ are to be adjusted the same distance from the longitudinal center plane of the machine as are 115 the arms D', carrying the paper-lifters D', so

the position shown in Fig. 5. On one of the standards G³ (shown in Fig. 7) a lever, K, is pivoted, that has its upper end forked, on which forked end the pin K' on the end of the slide G can act. The lower end of the lever K is connected by a connect- 125 ing-rod, K2, with the crank K3 on one end of the shaft K⁴, mounted on the standards K⁵ near the end of the platform B, Fig. 7, said shaft K4 carrying two sleeves having downwardly-projecting arms K6, provided on the 130 ends with cross-pieces K7, having the bevels K⁹ and stop-lugs K⁸ at opposite ends. A recess, K¹¹, is formed in the top of the platform B at the edge, and forms a shoulder, K¹²,

same from the position shown in Fig. 4 into

that the ends of said arms J⁸ can strike against the hinged arms D' and swing the

I 20

against which the lugs K⁸ can strike. On each side of the machine-frame a lever, L, is pivoted on a standard, B', and has its upper end forked, and on said forked ends of the levers L the ends of the transverse beam F⁴ can act. The lower ends of the lever L are connected by the connecting-rods L' with the horizontally-movable racks L², engaging with the horizontal cog-wheels L³, Figs. 18 and 19.

The shaft of the cog-wheel L³ on one side of the machine carries a horizontal cam, L⁴, that acts on a downwardly-projecting pin, L⁵, on a transverse rod, L⁶, guided in eyes L⁷ on the under side of the platform B. On said 15 rod L⁶ a sleeve, L⁸, is held adjustably by a screw, and from the same a pin, L⁹, projects upward through a transverse slot, L¹⁰, in the platform B, and on the upper end of said pin L a rail, L¹¹, is secured, which extends in the 20 longitudinal direction of the machine. On the shaft of the other cog-wheel L³ a cam, M, is secured, which is provided with an offset, M'. The edge of said cam can act on the pin M², projecting downward from the trans-25 versely-sliding rod M³, guided to move transversely to the longitudinal axis of the machine on the under side of the platform B by the eyes M⁴.

A fixed rail, M⁵, provided on the top of the 30 platform, extends in the direction of the length of the machine near the right-hand edge of the platform, and in slots M⁹ of the platform angle-levers N are pivoted, which can pass through notches M⁶ in the rail M⁵, said angle-35 levers being pressed down upon the platform by the springs N². A plate, N⁹, is secured to the upper shanks of the angle-levers N. The lower ends of the angle-levers are connected by rods N⁵ with a rod, N⁴, which in turn is 40 connected with the rod M². The racks L² are connected by a cross-bar, N^6 . A spring, N^7 , surrounding the rod L⁶, has one end rested against one of the eyes L⁷ for guiding said rod and the other end against a fixed collar, 45 N^8 , of the rod L^6 and serves to press the pin L⁵ on the rod L⁶ against the edge of the cam L^4 . The springs N^2 serve to press the pin M^2 against the cam M. The cog-wheels L³ are not mounted rigidly on their shafts; but said 50 shafts are provided with ratchet-wheels O, with which pawls O', pivoted on the wheels L³, engage, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. In the same manner the cog-wheel G⁷ is mounted on its shaft G⁶.

The transverse rail W is secured at its ends to standards G³ near the middle of the machine, and said shaft carries two adjustable sleeves, W', each provided with a downwardly-projecting angular arm, W², the ends of the horizontal shanks of which can strike against pins W³ on the dovetailed boxes D⁴, carrying the blocks D⁵, covered with the material for lifting the paper. A forked lever, P, is pivoted on an arm, P⁶, of one of the standards B' at one side of the machine, Fig. 10, and to the lower end of said forked lever a connecting-rod, P', is pivoted, the opposite end of

which is connected with a crank, J¹², on that end of the shaft J opposite the one carrying the crank J'. The shaft K^4 is provided at or 70 near one end with an arm, Q, which is connected by a connecting-rod, Q', with a slide, Q², having a dovetailed piece, Q³, sliding in a correspondingly-grooved guide-piece, Q⁴, on the platform B. To said slide Q a plate, R, 75 is hinged, that is pressed toward the platform by a spring, R'. Said plate R is provided at its under side, a short distance from its hinged end, with a projection, S. The platform B is provided at its end edge with a pro- 80 jection, S', beveled toward the middle of the machine, and provided at the end farthest from the middle of the machine—that is, adjacent to the edge of the platform—with a recess, S^2 .

A short distance inward from the edge of the platform B a projection, T, is provided, which is beveled toward the edge of the platform, and is provided at the end nearest the middle of the machine—that is, farthest from 90 the edge of the platform—with a recess, T², said projections S' and T serving to raise the hinged plate R, and said notches S² and T² in said projections S' and T serve to receive the projection S on the under side of the hinged 95 plate R.

The operation is as follows: As shown in Fig. 1, the sheet-lifters are in contact with the uppermost sheet a and are about to lift the same. The arms F^6 on the center piece, F^3 , of 100 the beam F⁴, which beam moves in the direction of the arrow x^2 , strike against the free arms of the angle-levers F⁵ and swing the same in the direction of the arrow x', Fig. 1, whereby the cross-rod E is raised, and thus 105 the tube C⁶ with which said cross-rod E is connected, is moved upward, and the spring C⁷ is compressed. The jaws C⁵ are also moved upward, and the latch E⁶ snaps into the recess C' in one of the jaws, thus locking the tube 110 C⁶ and the rod C⁸, which has been raised with the same in the raised position. The crossbars C¹² and C¹³ are raised with the rod C⁸, as are also the bars D, arms D', and the paperlifters on the lower ends of said arms to such 115 elevation that the sheet is above the platform B. The beam F⁴ continues to move in a direction toward the printing-press—that is, in a direction of the arrow x^2 , Fig. 1—but as yet has not moved the standard C³ in the same 120 direction, for the reason that the rod F passes loosely through the center piece, F³, of the beam F⁴. This construction is provided for the purpose of preventing the standard C³ being moved before the sheet has been raised. 125 The center piece, F³, then strikes against the collar F², causing the center piece, the bars D, the sheet-lifters, and the sheet held by the same together to move in the direction toward the printing-press—that is, in the direction of 130 the arrow x^2 —whereby the sheet is carried upon the platform B. When the standard C³ has almost reached the end of its stroke in the direction of the arrow x^2 , the ends of the

beam F^4 strike the front prongs, w', of each lever L, which prongs w' are in the tracks of the ends of the beam F⁴, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 10, and swing the levers L in the 5 inverse direction of the arrow x^3 , Fig. 10, causing the connecting-rods L' to move in the inverse direction of the arrow x^4 , and thereby the cog-wheels L³ are rotated, but do not turn their cams L⁴ and M, for the reason that 10 said cog-wheels are connected on their shaft by means of ratchet-wheels and pawls, the pawls slipping over the teeth of the ratchetwheels and not catching on the same when the connecting-rods L' are moved in the in-15 verse direction of the arrow x^4 . After the ends of the beam F⁴ have acted on the upper ends of the lever L and moved them in the manner described, one end of said beam strikes the prong v' on the upper end of the lever P, 20 Fig. 10, and swings the upper end of said lever P in the inverse direction of the arrow x^3 , whereby the inner ends of the arms J⁶ are swung down and the outer ends are swung up—that is, those ends nearest the center of 25 our machine are swung down. The bent inner ends, J⁷, of the arms J⁶, by being swung down, rest on and hold down the sheet that has been carried forward by the sheet-lifters and bars D; but still said bars D continue to 30 move in the direction of the arrow x^2 , Fig. 1. The result is that the pivoted arms D strike against the arms J⁸, which, by swinging down the arms J⁶ in the manner described, are brought into horizontal position, as shown in | position and the arms D' are still inclined. 35 Fig. 9, and striking the pivoted arms D'swing the same toward the center of the machine, or inward—that is, in the direction of the arrow x^6 , Fig. 10. As the edge of the sheet is held by the inner lowered ends, J^7 , of the arms J^6 , 40 it is evident that the paper-lifting blocks are drawn off the paper by swinging the arms D' in the direction of the arrow x^6 . The sheet is now entirely disengaged from the lifters, and is held on the platform B by the bent ends J⁷ 45 of the arms J^2 in the position shown in Fig. 10. The beam F^4 is now moved in the direction from the press—that is, in the inverse direction of the arrow x^4 , Fig. 10—by the rods F⁵, connecting said beam with the printing-50 press. A short time after the beam has begun its return-stroke one end of the beam F^4 strikes the rear prong, v^2 , of the lever P, which prong is now in a raised position, and swings the lever P in the direction of the arrow x^3 , 55 whereby, by means of the connecting-rod P' and crank J¹⁰, the shaft J is turned in such a manner as to bring the arms J⁶ into the horizontal position, said shaft being held in place by the springs J⁴. The sheet now lies freely 60 on the platform B. Immediately after one end of the beam F⁴ has acted upon the upper end of the lever P both ends of the beam F⁴ act on the rear prongs, w^2 , of the levers L, which prongs are now in the raised position, as in 65 Fig. 10, swinging them in the direction of the arrow x^3 , whereby the connecting-rods L' are moved in the direction of the arrow x^4 , Figs.

10 and 18. Thereby the wheels L³ are turned, and as their pawls now engage with the ratchet-wheels on the shafts the cams L⁴ and M 70 are moved in the directions indicated by their arrows. The result is that the cam L4, by means of the pin L⁵ and rod L⁶, moves the rail L^{11} in the direction of the arrow d', Fig. 19, said rail acting on the side edges of the 75 sheet and pressing the opposite edge of the sheet against the fixed rail M⁵. At the same time that the paper is being shifted laterally in the manner described the cam M has rotated in the direction of its arrow, thus per-80 mitting the pin M^2 to move to the right, Fig. 18, and the angle-levers N to swing down until the plate N⁹ is a short distance above the sheet. When the offset M' arrives at the pin M², said pin makes a sudden movement to the 85 right, and thereby the plate N⁹ is pressed on the right-hand edge of the sheet and holds the sheet firmly at said right-hand edge. If the sheet is rather wide, it may occur that by the action of the rail L¹¹ the sheet is buckled, and 90 if it were not held at the right-hand edge when the rail L¹¹ recedes it might getout of adjustment; but this cannot happen when the righthand edge is held. As the cam M continues to revolve its edge acting on the pin M² moves 95 the same to the left, whereby the angle-levers N and plate N⁹ are raised and the sheet is released, its right-hand edge resting against the inner side of the rail M⁵. During these movements the sheet-holder has been in the raised 100 By the return movement of the beam F⁴ and standard C³ the bars D and sheet-lifters have also been returned in the inverse direction of the arrow x^4 . As stated, a rack-frame, G^9 , is 105 provided on the center piece, F³, of the beam F⁴, and when said beam has almost completed its return-stroke said rack acts on the cogwheel G⁶ and turns the same in the direction of the arrow d^2 , Fig. 7, whereby the 110 slide G is moved in the direction of the arrow d^3 , Fig. 7. As soon as the slide begins to move in this direction the pin K', acting on the rear raised prong, y', of the lever K, swings the said lever in the direction of 115 the arrow d^4 , whereby the arms K^6 on the shaft K^4 are swung in the direction of the arrow g', and the lugs K⁸ on the ends of the plates K⁷ come in contact with the shoulders K¹² of the recess K¹¹. As soon as the rack begins to 120 move in the direction of the arrow d^3 the ratchet-wheet G¹¹ is rotated in the direction of the arrow g^2 , Fig. 7, and the tubular arms H' are swung in like direction, causing the wipers H³ to come into the position shown in 125 dotted lines in Fig. 7, and as said wipers pass over the sheet they move it in the direction of the arrow x^2 , Fig. 7, causing the edge of the sheet nearest the printing-machine to abut against the stop-lugs K⁸. By the time 130 that the slide G has been moved such a distance as to operate the wipers in the manner described the pin I4 acts on the upper end of the rod I' and swings the same in the direc-

tion of the arrow h', whereby the front ends of the arms J⁶, or ends nearest the printingpress, are swung down upon the paper, which is thus held in place. The pin I⁴ can act on 5 the upper end of the lever I', which is in a vertical position; but the pin I³ passes over the upper end of the lever I without acting upon it, as said lever is in the inclined position shown in Fig. 7. The rack G⁹ is of sufficient to size to cause an entire rotation of the cogwheel G^i in the direction of the arrow d^2 , and after the wheel G' has completed one-half a rotation the slide G is moved in the inverse direction of the arrow d^3 . By this inverse .5 movement of the slide the wipers H³ are rotated in the inverse direction of the arrow g^2 , but do not cause the shifting of the sheet to the rear—that is, from the press—for the reason that the sheets are held by the ends J' of 20 the arms J⁶, and that the wipers are hinged and can bend, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 13. After further movement of the slide G in the inverse direction of the arrow $d^{\mathfrak{s}}$ the pin I acts on the upper end of the lever 25 I and swings the same in the direction of the arrow h^2 , whereby the arms J^6 are brought into horizontal position and the paper is released. The pin Passes over the upper end of the lever I' without acting on it, for the reason that said 30 lever I' is in inclined position and the said pin It can clear it. The lever I, however, has been brought into the vertical position, so that the pin I³ can act upon it by the previous movement of the connected rods I and I', for, 35 as has been stated, during the stroke of the rack G to the rear, Fig. 7, the pin I⁴ acts on the lever I' and inclines the same, whereby the lever I is brought into vertical position. Finally, the pin K', acting on the front prong, 40 y^2 , of the lever K, swings the said lever in the inverse direction of the arrow d^4 , whereby the arms K⁶ are swung in the inverse direction of the arrow g' and raised. The paper is now free on the platform. By swinging the arms 45 K⁶ in the inverse direction of the arrow g'the slide Q² is moved in the direction of the arrow m'—that is, in a direction toward the printing-press, Figs. 10, 15, and 22-and its hinged plate R, sliding down the inclined 50 block T, rests upon the sheet, upon which it is pressed by the spring R', and feeds said sheet beyond the edge of the platform B, so that it can be gripped by the grippers of the printing-press. When the slide Q² arrives at 55 the edge of the platform, the projection S on the under side of the plate R slides up the inclined projection S', and is thus lifted clear of the paper, permitting the grippers to draw the paper into the printing-machine. The 60 slide Q² is returned when the arms K⁶ swing down. By this time the rack G⁸ has passed entirely over the cog-wheel G⁷. The outer end of the latch E⁶ strikes against the arm E⁹, whereby its inner end is withdrawn from the 65 notch E⁷ in the jaw C⁵, whereby the tube C⁶ is released and pressed downward by its spring C', whereby the sheet-lifters D' are

pressed upon the uppermost sheet of the stack. The beam F4 is now moved in the direction of the arrow x^2 , Fig. 1, by the con- 7° necting-rods F⁵. The rack G⁸ again acts on the cog-wheel G7 without rotating the shaft G⁶—that is to say, when the rack G⁸ passes over the cog-wheel G⁷ in the direction from the printing-press said cog-wheel rotates the .75 shaft; but when the rack passes over the cogwheel in the direction toward the printingpress the cog-wheel rotates without rotating the shaft. The arms F⁶ of the center piece, F³, again strike the ends of the angle-levers 80 E⁵, whereby the tube C⁶ is lifted, as is also the new sheet, all in the manner previously described. Just before the standard C³ eompletes its return-stroke the horizontal shanks of the arms W2 strike the pins W3 on the sides 85 of the blocks D4 and swing the arms D' from the inclined position which they have during the return-stroke into the vertical position, so that the pieces D⁵ can be pressed upon the

uppermost sheet. So that the operation may be made fully understood we will recapitulate briefly: The arms on the center piece, F³, strike against the ends of the angle-levers E⁵, whereby the sheet is raised, and then said raised sheet is car- 95 ried upon the platform B. The front part of the sheet is held on the platform by the rear ends of the arms J6, which are swung down by the action of one end of the beam F4 on the lever P, and then the arms D' are swung roo to the rear and the sheet-lifters are disengaged from the sheet, which is now held on the platform B by the rear ends of the arms J⁶. Then by the action of one end of the beam F* in its return-stroke on the upper end of 105 the lever P said arms J⁶ are swung into the horizontal position and the sheet is free. Then the ends of the beam F^4 act on the ends of the levers L, whereby the sheet is shifted laterally. Then by the action of the rack G⁸ 110 on the cog-wheel G7 the arms K6 are swung down and the wipers move the front edge of the sheet against the stop-lugs K⁸ on the ends of the arms K⁶. Then by the action of the pin I4 on the lever I' the front ends of the 115 arms J⁶ are swung down upon the sheet and hold the same, and the wipers pass back over the sheet, but cannot shift the same. Then the pin I³ acts on the upper end of the lever I and the arms J^6 are swung up and the paper 120 is free, its front end resting against the stoplugs K⁸. Then the pin K' acts on the upper end of the lever K and the arms K⁶ are swung up, and at the same time the hinged plate R moves the edge of the sheet beyond the edge 125 of the platform B. The arms K⁶ J⁶ J⁸, the wipers, the arms W², rail L¹¹, and the bars D are all adjustable on their shafts, according to the width of the sheet. The standard C³ and the center piece of the beam F4 form a 130 carriage, although they move separately at times. The spring C¹⁰ keeps the rod C⁸ lowered, so that the head C9 rests on the upper end of the tube C⁶. The spring C⁷ serves to

press the tube C⁶ downward. When the standard C³ arrives at the arm E⁹, the tube C⁶, the rod C⁸, the arms D, and the paper-lifters are in the raised positions, and when 5 the latch E⁶ is withdrawn the tube C⁶ is released and pressed down by its spring C⁷. When the stack of paper is very high, the upper end of the rod C⁸ projects some distance from the upper end of the tube C⁶. As 10 the height of the stack decreases the spring C¹⁰ gradually presses said rod C⁸ down farther. Fig. 17 shows the rod C⁸ in its lowest position.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-presses, the combination, with a frame, of a reciprocating carriage, bars supported by said carriage, arms hinged to said bars, blocks on swinging ends of said arms, and a covering of inking-roller composition on said blocks, substantially as shown and described.

2. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of a carriage, bars on said carriage, arms pivoted to said bars, sheet-lifting blocks on the swinging ends of said arms, and springs on the bars resting on the upper ends of said pivoted arms, 3° substantially as shown and described.

3. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-presses, the combination, with a frame, of a carriage, bars on the same, arms pivoted to the ends of said bars, said arms having the inner corners at the upper ends beveled, sheet-lifting blocks on the swinging ends of said arms, and springs secured on the bars and resting on the upper ends of said arms, substantially as shown and described.

40 4. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-presses, the combination, with a frame, of a carriage mounted to slide on said frame, a sheet-lifter carried by said carriage, sheet-shifters operated by parts of the carriage, and sheet-retainers operated by parts of the carriage, substantially as set forth.

5. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-presses, the combination, with a frame, of a carriage mounted to slide on said frame, sheet-lifters carried by said carriage, a table on which the sheet can be placed, a rail mounted to slide laterally on said table to shift the sheets laterally, sheet-wipers operated by the carriage, and sheet-retainers operated by the carriage, substantially as shown and described.

6. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-presses, the combination, with a frame, of a carriage mounted to slide on said frame, sheet-lifters carried by said carriage, a transverse beam sliding with the carriage on the frame and connected therewith, levers pivoted on the frame and operated by the ends of said beam, a laterally-movable sheet-shifting rail operated by intermediate power-transmitting members from said pivoted levers, paper-wipers operated by the carriage, and paper-re-

tainers operated by the carriage, substantially as shown and described.

7. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of a 70 carriage sliding on the same, a transverse beam moving with said carriage and connected therewith, a platform for receiving the sheets, sheet-lifters carried by the carriage, pivoted levers operated by the ends of said beam, a 75 laterally-movable paper-shifting rail operated by suitable intermediate power-transmitting members from said pivoted levers, sheetwipers operated by the carriage, sheet-stops operated from the carriage, sheet-retainers 80 operated by the carriage, and a sheet-shifter at the end of the platform, also operated from the carriage, substantially as herein shown and described.

8. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing- 85 presses, the combination, with a frame, of a carriage mounted to slide on the same, bars supported by said carriage, arms pivoted to the ends of said bars, paper-lifting blocks on the ends of said arms, a rocking shaft mounted 90 on the frame, bars fixed on said shaft and projecting toward the pivoted arms and serving to tilt the same, and fixed arms on the frame in the tracks of the said pivoted arms on their return-stroke for the purpose of 95 swinging the arms back to the normal position, substantially as shown and described.

9. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of a
carriage mounted to slide on the same, bars 100
supported by said carriage, arms pivoted to
the ends of said bars, sheet-lifting blocks
on the ends of said arms, a rocking shaft,
sheet-retaining arms on said shaft, a rack on
the carriage, a cog-wheel adapted to engage 105
said rack, a slide on the frame, a connectingrod connecting said slide with a crank on the
shaft carrying the cog-wheel, pins on the slide,
connected levers on which said pins can act,
and a rod connecting said levers with an arm
on the shaft carrying the sheet-retaining arms,
substantially as shown and described.

10. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-presses, the combination, with a frame, of guide-rails on the same, a carriage mounted to slide on said rails, a platform, a rock-shaft extending across said platform, arms on said rock-shaft, stops on the ends of said arms, a slide on the frame, a pin on the slide, a swinging lever on which the pin can act, a rod connecting said swinging lever with the arms of the shaft carrying the arms having the stops, a rack on the carriage, a shaft provided with a crank, a cog-wheel on said shaft, a rod connecting the slide with said crank, and sheet-retaining arms operated by the slide, substantially as shown and described.

11. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of guide-rails on the same, a carriage mounted 130 to slide on the guide-rails, sheet-lifters supported by said carriage, a slide on the frame, 398,710

paper-retaining arms, and arms having stops operated by the slide, a rack on the carriage, a cog-wheel adapted to engage said rack, a crank-shaft carrying said cog-wheel, and a 5 rod connecting the crank with the slide, substantially as shown and described.

12. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of guide-rails on the same, a carriage mounted 10 to slide on the guide-rails, sheet-lifters supported by the carriage, a platform, said platform being provided at its end with a recess forming the shoulder, a rock-shaft having arms, stop-lugs on said arms, which stop-lugs 15 can swing against the shoulder formed by the recess, a slide on the frame, levers for operating the swinging stop-lug arms from the carriage, and mechanism, substantially as herein described, for operating the slide from the 20 carriage, substantially as shown and described.

13. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame and a platform, of rails on the frame, a carriage 25 mounted to slide on said rails, a rack on said carriage, a cog-wheel, a crank-shaft carrying the cog-wheel, the slide G on the frame, a connecting-rod connecting said slide with the crank-shaft, the pins I³ and I⁴ on the slide, 30 the connected pivoted levers I and I', the shaft J, having the arms J^6 , the crank J' on the shaft J, and the rod I⁵, connecting the crank of the shaft J with the rods I I', substantially as shown and described.

14. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame and platform, of rails on the frame, a standard mounted to slide on the rails, a sheet-lifter supported by said standard, a transverse 40 beam, F⁴, connected with the sliding standard, the lever P, the slide G, mechanism, substantially as herein shown and described, for operating said slide from the standard, the levers I I', the rocking shaft J, the arms J⁶ on 45 the same, the rod I5, connecting the crankarm on said shaft J with the rods I I', and the connecting-rod P', connecting another crank on said shaft J with the lever P, substantially as shown and described.

15. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame and platform, of rails on the frame, a sliding standard on said rails, a rocking shaft above the platform, paper-retaining arms on said 55 rocking shaft, and independent levers on opposite sides of the frame connected with said rock-shaft, substantially as shown and described.

16. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-60 presses, the combination, with a frame and platform, of rails on the frame, a sliding standard on the rails, sheet-lifters supported by the standard, a rocking shaft at the end of the platform, arms having stop-lugs on said 65 shaft, a slide connected with the rocking shaft, a hinged plate on said slide, beveled projections on the platform acting on said hinged

plate, paper-retaining arms, and mechanism, substantially as herein shown and described, for operating the shaft carrying the arms hav- 7° ing the stop-lugs and the shaft carrying the paper-retaining arms from the sliding standard, substantially as shown and described.

17. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame and 75 platform, of a fixed rail on the platform, a longitudinal transversely-movable rail on the platform, guide-rails on the frame, a sliding standard supported by the guide-rails, a transverse beam supported by the guide-rails and 80 connected with the sliding standard, levers pivoted to the side of the frame, on which levers the ends of the transverse beam can act, racks connected with the levers, cog-wheels engaging said racks, cams on the shafts of 85 the cog-wheels, a pin on the movable rail on the platform, on which pin one of the cams acts, angle-levers at the fixed rail, a rod connecting the angle-levers, and a pin on said rod, on which pin the other cam acts, substantially 90 as shown and described.

18. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame and platform, of the guide-rails C, the sliding standard C3, the sliding beam F4, connected 95 therewith, the two levers L, pivoted on the frame and actuated by the ends of the beam F⁴, the racks L², connected with the levers L, the cog-wheels L³, engaged with the racks L², the cams L^4 and M, the movable rail L^{11} , the 100 rod L⁶, the spring N⁷, the pin L⁵, the fixed rail M5, the angle-levers N, the rods N4 and N⁵, the rod M³, the pin M', and the springs N², substantially as herein shown and described.

19. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of rails, a standard mounted to slide on said rails, bars supported by the standard, hinged arms on the ends of the bars, paper-lifters on said arms, a 110 rock-shaft having cams that can abut against the sheet-lifting arms, a shaft, W, the arms W2 on the same, pins W³ on the paper-lifters, and mechanism, substantially as herein shown and described, for operating the rocking shaft from 115 the sliding standard, substantially as shown and described.

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20. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of rails on the same, a standard mounted to slide on 120 the rails, a sheet-lifter supported by the sliding standard, a rocking shaft, wipers on said rocking-shaft, a cog-wheel on the rocking shaft, a slide on the side of the frame provided with a rack engaged with said cog- 125 wheel, and mechanism, substantially as shown and described, for operating the slide from the standard, substantially as shown and described.

21. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing- 130 presses, the combination, with the frame, of rails on the same, a sliding standard on the rails, sheet-lifters suspended from the standard, the slide G on the frame, which slide is

provided with a rack, G¹⁰, the cog-wheel G¹¹, engaged with the rack G¹⁰, the rails G¹⁵, the adjustable bearings G14, the shaft G12, mounted in said bars G¹⁴ and carrying the wheel G¹⁷, 5 the sleeves H, having hollow arms, the pieces H' in said arms, the hinged pieces H³ on the pieces H', and mechanism, substantially as shown and described, for operating the slide G from the sliding standard, substantially as 10 shown and described.

22. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of rails, the sliding standard C³ on the rails, the sliding tube C^6 in the standard, the spring C^7 , 15 pressing the tube downward, the rod C⁸ in the tube C⁶, the spring pressing the rod C⁸ downward, and sheet-lifters supported from said rod C⁸, substantially as shown and described.

23. In a sheet-feeding machine for printing-20 presses, the combination, with a frame, of rails, the sliding standard C³ on the rails, the sliding tube C⁶ in the standard, having the jaws C⁵, of which one is provided with a notch, E⁷, a spring for pressing the tube downward, 25 sheet-lifters supported by said rod, a latch pivoted on the standard for locking the tube C⁶ in the raised position, and the arm E⁹ on one of the rails for tripping said latch, substantially as set forth.

24. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of rails, a sliding standard on the rails, a tube mounted to slide in the standard, sheet-lifters supported

by said tube, angle-levers pivoted on parts of the standard and connected by intermediate 35 levers with the sliding tube, a transverse beam mounted to slide on the rails, a rod-projecting from the standard through the transverse beam, and arms on the transverse beam to act on the angle-levers, substantially as shown 40 and described.

25. In a sheet-feeding machine for printingpresses, the combination, with a frame, of rails, a sliding standard on the rails, a tube mounted to slide in the standard, sheet-lifters sup- 45 ported by said tube, angle-levers pivoted on parts of the standard and connected by intermediate levers with the sliding tube, a transverse beam mounted to slide on the rails, a rod projecting from the standard through the 50 transverse beam, and arms on the transverse beam to act on the angle-levers, a latch for locking the tube in raised position, and an arm on one of the rails for tripping said latch, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our invention we have signed our names in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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